

REISSUE APPLICATION DECLARATION BY THE INVENTOR

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address and citizenship are stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is described and claimed in patent number 6,196,311, granted March 6, 2001, and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled UNIVERSAL CEMENTING PLUG

the specification of which

☐ is attached hereto.

☒ was filed on October 3, 2001 as reissue application number 09 / 970,432
and was amended on _____
(If applicable)

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

I verily believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid, for the reasons described below. (Check all boxes that apply.)

☐ by reason of a defective specification or drawing.

☒ by reason of the patentee claiming more or less than he had the right to claim in the patent.

☐ by reason of other errors.


At least one error upon which reissue is based is described below. If the reissue is a broadening reissue, such must be stated with an explanation as to the nature of the broadening:

Patentee erred in not presenting claims during the prosecution of the patent which were directed to the subject matter now being claimed in the claims now being presented (other than patent claims 1-51) up to and including the filing of this declaration, which error occurred without any deceptive intention on the part of the applicant.

New independent claim 92 differs from the previous claims 1-51 by reciting:

providing a plug in the casing having at least two axially-spaced and overlapping wipers to engage and wipe the inner surface [continued on the attachment]

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Attachment to Reissue Application Declaration by the Inventor

New independent claim 93 differs from the previous claims 1-51 by reciting:

Providing a plug in the casing having at least two axially-spaced and overlapping wipers to engage and wipe the inner surface; providing an additional plug in the casing having at least two axially-spaced and overlapping wipers to engage and wipe the inner surface; and applying pressure from one end of the casing to move the plugs within the casing.

New independent claim 98 differs from the previous claims 1-51 by reciting:

Providing at least two axially spaced wipers on the second plug so that as the second plug passes downwardly in the casing, it wipes the inner surface of the casing of any accumulated cement; and sizing each wiper so that the wiper of each plug closest to the one end of the casing is overlapped by the other wiper of the same plug.

New independent claim 104 differs from the previous claims 1-51 by reciting:

A first wiper overlapping a second wiper in an axial direction so that the outer surfaces of the wipers portions together extend continuously along the axial length of the body member before the plug is inserted in the casing

Dependent claims 90-91, 94-97, 99-103, and 108 incorporate the limitations of claims 92, 93, 98, and 104, respectively, and, as such, differ from the previous claims 1-51.